Memorandum

TO: Constance Relihan, Associate Provost, Undergraduate Studies
THROUGH: Susan Villaume, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College of Education
FROM: Kimberly Walls, Department Head, Curriculum and Teaching
RE: Deletion of Undergraduate Major in Geography Education

The Department of Curriculum and Teaching is requesting the deletion of the Undergraduate Major in Geography Education.

The justification for this decision is based on low demand and redundancy with the Undergraduate Major in General Social Science Education. Although the state of Alabama offers a certification in geography for teachers, the subject is only taught in a single semester course in grades 6-12. As a result, Auburn students have not pursued this degree option. There have been no students enrolled in the Undergraduate Geography Education major for the last five years.

Graduates of the General Social Science Education program are certified to teach geography as well as all other 6-12 social studies subjects. Therefore, students with interests in teaching geography will continue to be served after the deletion of the Geography Education major.

Geography Education is a State approved certification program at the Class B (bachelor's) level. The Alabama State Department of Education will also be notified of this decision.

This program option is listed in the ACHE inventory under Social Science Teacher Education 13.1317.

We will work with the Office of Institutional Research to ensure that this program listing is removed from Banner.

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